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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I would greatly appreciate having a copy of your Interim Report to NASA (Grant NSG-81-60), Technical Report 1040 of your Instrumentation Research Lab., entitled "Systematics of Organic Molecules, Graph Topology & Hamilton Circuits--A General Outline of the DENDRAL System", dated 12 January 1966.

The companion article on DENDRAL 64, "Topology of Cyclic Graphs--A System for Computer Construction, Enumeration and Notation of Organic Molecules as Tree Structures and Cyclic Graphs", dated 15 December 1965, also would be appreciated.

In 1955 I found a novel way to count Mainz & Blair's "free tree" hydrocarbons directly--by partitioning the secondary CH_2 groups around and between the branching (X or Y) points. Have you tried this route? These structure models reveal new types of binomial coefficients and new types of partition-counting terms; at least my tables were novel when checked by the international office of Unpublished Mathematical Tables at Stanford in 1956.

With best regards,

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